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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed September 7, 2005 (the "Office Action"), in which a three (3) month shortened period for reply is December 7, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks:

Please amend claims 1, 5, 11, 12, 16, 22, 23 and 32; and add new claims 33-47.